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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks in response to the Office Action dated May 18, 2006.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.